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FM AMEMBASSY NDJAMENA

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INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN IMMEDIATE

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AMEMBASSY LAGOS IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE IMMEDIATE

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DEPT FOR SAYRE, S/IG FROM BENNETT; ABIDJAN FOR MCCLELLAND

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SUBJ: TRAVEL OF INSPECTION TEAM

1. WE INFORMED BY NIGERIANEMBASSY HERE THAT NIGERIAN AIRFIELDS WILL BE OPEN TO INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC BEGINNING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23. IF THIS INFORMATION CONFIRMED AND UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY, WEST AFRICAN INSPECTION TEAM ONE PLANS TO LEAVE NDJAMENA FEBRUARY 22 VIA UY 793 ARRIVING DOUALA AT 1830 AND TO DEPART DOUALA MONDAY FEBRUARY 23 VIA WT 832 ARRIVING LAGOS AT 2000.

2. IF LAGOS AIRPORT CLOSED FEBRUARY 23, WE WOULD TAKE UY 706 FEBRUARY 25 OR WT 167 FEBRUARY 26. IF LAGOS STILL CLOSED FEBRUARY 26 WE PLAN, SUBJECT TO ADVICE FROM DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY ACCRA, PROCEED WITH THE INSPECTION OF EMBASSY ACCRA. WE WOULD ARRIVE ACCRA FEBRUARY 27 AT 1525 VIA ET 781 WHICH FIRST AVAILABLE DOUALA TO ACCRA CONNECTION. IF THIS PLAN ADOPTED TEAM ONE WOULD PLAN PROCEED TO LAGOS FOLLOWING COMPLETION ACCRA INSPECTION MARCH 10 VIA WT 962 ARRIVING LAGOS AT 1950, ASSUMING SITUATION AT THAT TIME FAVORABLE.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE S/IG AND EMBASSIES LAGOS AND ACCRA COMMENT AND GUIDANCE.

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4. ASSUME DEPARTMENT WILL KEEP INSPECTOR JAMES COOK APPRISED
OF OUR PLANS. WE WOULD WELCOME HIS JOINING US AT ANY CONVENIENT
POINT IN OUR ITINERARY.

5. FOR YAOUNDE: PLEASE PASS PERTINENT INFORMATION TO DOUALA
BY PHONE.LITTLE

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